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Field Crops

Arizona's alfalfa conditions remained mostly fair to excellent. Harvesting occurred on nearly half of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Sheep continue to graze on various alfalfa fields in many areas. Nearly three-fourths of the durum wheat acreage and 85 percent of the barley acreage had been planted by week's end.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped limited quantities of broccoli, cabbage, cilantro, kale greens, and parsley last week.

Last week western Arizona growers shipped limited quantities of anise, arrugula, bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, parsley, spinach and various lettuces including Boston, iceberg, red leaf, green leaf, and romaine. Various citrus was also shipped in Arizona.

Range and Pasture

The cold temperatures have slowed snow melt and runoff, but more precipitation is needed to alleviate the dry conditions. Water tanks are drying out. Rangeland conditions remain in mostly very poor to fair, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent					
	- Percent -									
Alfalfa	1	3	21	42	33					
Range and Pasture	60	14	14	11	1					

Weather Summary

Temperatures were well below normal across the State for the week ending January 20, 2013, ranging from 3 degrees below normal at Yuma to 13 degrees below normal at Canyon De Chelly. The highest temperature of the week was 76 degrees at Roll. The lowest

reading was -17 degrees at the Grand Canyon. None of the 22 weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Only 10 have received any precipitation in 2013. The most has fallen in Douglas at 0.24 inches.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data												
January 14, 2013 - January 20, 2013												
	Temperature				Precipitation							
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent				
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal				
Aguila	45	-5	73	22	0.00	0.00	-0.72	0				
Buckeye	47	-7	75	19	0.00	0.00	-0.45	0				
Bullhead City	47	NA	65	19	0.00	0.00	-0.60	0				
Canyon De Chelly	18	-13	40	-7	0.00	0.06	-0.44	12				
Coolidge	44	-8	74	14	0.00	0.00	-0.52	0				
Douglas	37	-9	70	11	0.00	0.24	-0.27	47				
Flagstaff	18	-11	43	-9	0.00	0.05	-1.28	4				
Grand Canyon	20	-8	47	-17	0.00	0.00	-1.62	0				
Kingman	34	-9	59	11	0.00	0.05	-0.55	8				
Maricopa	45	-7	74	17	0.00	0.01	-0.39	3				
Paloma	46	-9	75	17	0.00	0.00	-0.40	0				
Parker	47	-7	73	25	0.00	0.00	-0.50	0				
Payson	35	-4	63	8	0.00	0.02	-1.33	1				
Phoenix	50	-4	75	29	0.00	0.01	-0.44	2				
Prescott	32	-5	58	8	0.00	0.00	-0.98	0				
Roll	47	-8	76	22	0.00	0.00	-0.24	0				
Safford	36	-8	67	10	0.00	0.00	-0.46	0				
St. Johns	23	-11	49	0	0.00	0.04	-0.41	9				
Tucson	46	-6	75	19	0.00	0.04	-0.56	7				
Willcox	35	-8	72	9	0.00	0.00	-0.64	0				
Winslow	23	-9	48	1	0.00	0.03	-0.27	10				
Yuma	54	-3	74	38	0.00	0.00	-0.24	0				
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that w eek.												

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